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**PATENT APPLICATION**

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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For: METHOD AND SYSTEMS FOR UNDERCOLOR REDUCTION

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reply to the June 16, 2005 Office Action, please consider the following remarks.

Claims 1-23 are pending in this application.

In response to Applicant's Amendment filed on January 28, 2005, the Office Action indicates that the Declaration filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.131 has been considered but is ineffective to overcome the primary reference of Asano (U.S. Patent 6,343,846). It is alleged in the Office Action that the evidence submitted is insufficient to establish Applicant's alleged actual reduction to practice of the invention in this country or a NAFTA or WTO member country before the effective date of the Asano reference. It is pointed out in the Office Action that a copy of Appendix A, noted in the Declaration, is not currently in the file and thus cannot be considered as evidence. However, Applicants submitted a copy of Appendix A along with the Declaration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.131 and the Amendment filed on January 28, 2005. A copy of the date-stamped receipt is submitted as evidence of the receipt of the Appendix in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office. A courtesy copy of Appendix A is also provided.